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C O N F I D E N T I A L LUXEMBOURG 0027

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: GATT ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS WITH EC

REF: STATE 3076

1. WE DELIVERED THE AIDE MEMOIRE TO CHARLES REICHLING, MFA DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS. REICHLING EXPRESSED ASTONISHMENT AT THE SIZE OF THE US LIST BUT INDICATED HE UNDERSTOOD THAT ONLY A FEW OF THE ITEMS (I.E., ORANGES, EXCAVATING EQUIPMENT) WERE OF PARAMOUNT INTEREST TO THE US. WE REPLIED THAT
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WHILE SOME OF THE ITEMS WERE MORE IMPORTANT THAN OTHERS,

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THE LIST HAD BEEN DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE WHAT THE US CONSIDREED FAIR COMPENSATION FOR THE PROPOSED WITHDRAWALS OF THE EC AND THE ACCEDING STATES.

2. REICHLING SAID THAT LUXEMBOURG MIGHT HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH AN OFFER ON EXCAVATING EQUIPMENT SINCE LOWERING THE DUTY ON THIS ITEM COULD AFFECT THE OPERATIONS OF THE GENERAL MOTORS PLANT IN LUXEMBOURG. HE ADMITTED THAT GM HAS NOT RAISED THE MATTER HERE AND EXPLAINED THAT HE WAS THINKING IN TERMS OF GOL DIVERSIFICATION PLANS AND EMPLOYMENT POLICIES. REICHLING AGREED THAT THE 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE SETTLED SOON (HE HAS CONSISTENTLY PUSHED FOR AN EARLY SETTLEMENT), ADDING THAT IT WAS IN THE US INTEREST TO AVOID A TRADE DISPUTE WHEN WE ARE PREPARING FOR THE MTN. WE REPLIED THAT IT WAS IN OUR MUTUAL INTEREST TO AVOID SUCH A DISPUTE AND THAT THE EC SHOULD RECOGNIZE THIS IN IMPROVING ITS OFFER. REICHLING, HOWEVER, WAS PESSIMISTIC THAT AN IMPROVEMENT OF A MAGNITUDE INDICATED BY THE US LIST WAS POSSIBLE. TARNOFF

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